

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER
MAY 24, 2005**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor William J. Schmitt who presided called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor William J. Schmitt	present
Board member Victor J. Knies	present
Board member Thomas R. Schmidt	present

Also present were Police Chief Richard Gunselman, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle, Personnel/Safety Director Charles Schneider, Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang, Building Commissioner David Seger, City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm.

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm announced that a majority of the board members must be present for a quorum. All three of the board members were present; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schmitt invited all present to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 10, 2005. A **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to approve the minutes as presented. **Motion** carried 3-0.

TEMPORARY BLOCKING OF PARKING SPACES – 6TH STREET

Kurt Hedinger, representing Hedinger Roofing Company, requested blocking off six parking spaces on 6th Street located near the south side of the building located at 602 Main Street during replacement of a roof on the Dubois County Annex Building. Mr. Hedinger stated that the installation would take about five days, weather permitting and his company would like to commence the week of June 20, 2005. In addition, Hedinger requested using a portion of the sidewalk for equipment. He said the parking spaces and sidewalk are needed for a boom truck, material truck, and debris truck. During discussion, Mayor Schmitt emphasized to Mr. Hedinger that the spaces must only be used for construction equipment and not for employees' vehicles. Thomas Schmidt asked if the equipment could be moved if the job was not completed in five days. Mr. Hedinger agreed that the equipment could be removed over the weekend if not completed in five days. Mayor Schmitt also requested the street department provide barricades to be placed around the equipment.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Victor Knies to approve the request of Hedinger Roofing Company to use six parking spaces on the north side of 6th Street between Jackson Street and the Square and a portion of the

sidewalk during the replacement of a new roof at the Dubois County Annex Building starting the week of June 20, 2005 for five days, including extra time for rain days, if needed on condition there is no parking of employees' vehicles. **Motion** passed 3-0.

PERFORMANCE BOND RELEASE BRENTWOOD SUBDIVISION – PHASE I

Ken Brosmer, Brosmer Land Surveying, representing Allan Holweger, developer of Brentwood Subdivision Phase I, was present. Mr. Brosmer presented a map of the subdivision and requested full release of the bond for the sanitary sewer installation and partial release of the bond for the storm sewer installation and partial release of the bond for the water line installation. Brosmer explained that the sanitary sewer work is complete and has been approved by the manager and that the water line is 75% complete and the storm sewers are 50% complete.

On **motion** by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Thomas Schmidt approval was given to release the sanitary sewer performance bond for Brentwood Subdivision Phase I, on condition approval is granted by the building commissioner. **Motion** passed 3-0.

A **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to approve the reduction of the water line performance bond by 75%, with 25% remaining, for the Brentwood Subdivision Phase I, on condition there is a new bond for 25% in place before the old one is released. **Motion** passed 3-0.

A **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to approve the reduction of the storm sewer performance bond by 50%, with 50% remaining, for the Brentwood Subdivision Phase I, on condition there is a new bond for 50% in place before the old one is released. **Motion** passed 3-0.

HIGH WEED COMPLAINTS

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle reported for publication the names of property owners that had been cited under section 5.12.040, weed removal/ notice. The names and property locations receiving notice since the last meeting were as follows:

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Location of Lot</u>
Dennis Burgdorf	700 block of E. 12 th St. – Lots, 27, 28, 29 & 30
Timothy S. Berger	Richard F. Milburn Add., Part of Lot 11
Cheri L. Shipton	Skyline Sub., Lot 133
Penny Atkins	McCrillus 1 st Add., Part of Lot 23
Jasper Chair Co.	McCrillus 2 nd Add., Part of Lot 94C & E
Jasper Engineering	Property north of Judith Ave.
Henry G. & Anna M. Calderon	Gutzweiler 1 st Add., Part of Lot 80
Carolyn S. Kunz	Rolling Ridge Estates, Lot 2
Canterbury Green, Inc.	Canterbury Green II, Lots 41-65 & 86-106
Diana M. Birkle	258 E. 36 th St.
Michael J. Schmitt Enterprises, LLC	James F. Hochgesang Add., Lots 4-8 and ArchAngel Add., Lots 1-10
Michael B. & Ann K. Hopf	Gutzweiler 1 st Add., Lot 79 1434 Mill St.

Carrie Schmitt
Teodolinda Abarca

Meridian Meadows, Lot 12
Meridian Meadows, Lot 11

Street Commissioner Eckerle reported that high weed problems seem to be getting worse, and in his opinion, people may not have the pride that they once had. He said there is a problem with the same people every year who wait to receive their first notice before mowing. Police Chief Richard Gunselman commented that a record could be kept of repeat violators for the current year and if a violation occurs in the following year a second notice which would include a fine could be sent.

REPORTS

Crack Sealing. Street Commissioner Raymie Eckerle reported on the crack sealing project this past season. He said 15 tons of crack sealing were applied.

Hemlock Drive. Street Commissioner Raymie Eckerle reported that the drainage pipe for a storm sewer has been replaced near Hemlock Drive. He also reported that there are still some storm water drainage problems in the Meridian Meadows area.

Clay Street. Street Commissioner Eckerle presented photos of the temporary repair in progress of a broken storm sewer pipe along Clay Street. He stated that he had received permission from Mayor Schmitt to close the street for this repair work.

REPLACEMENT EMPLOYEE

Street Commissioner Eckerle requested permission to start the hiring process in order to replace an employee who recently resigned. He asked to review the existing list of recent applicants prior to starting the process.

A **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt, to allow the Street Commissioner to start the hiring process for replacing an employee. **Motion** passed 3-0.

2005 REFUSE LOADING TRUCK

Street Commissioner Eckerle gave an update on the bid for the 2005 Refuse Loading Truck. At the April 12, 2005 meeting, the bid was taken under advisement in order for the street commissioner to review the bid and if it met specifications, then the bid would be awarded. At the April 26, 2005 meeting, Eckerle stated that he was not ready to accept the bid, but would like to do more research on that item. Eckerle reported that he had requested a lower price from Best Equipment Company and they lowered the price from \$94,577.00 to \$87,877.00, which is a difference of \$6,700. He said he is now ready to accept that price. The board signed the bid acceptance form for \$87,877.00.

ALLEY BETWEEN E. 9TH AND E. 10TH STREETS

At the February 8, 2005 meeting, Margaret Antley, 313 E. 10th Street had requested the north/south alley that connects 9th and 10th Streets and lies between Vine & Mill Streets be changed to one-way traffic heading north.

Police Chief Richard Gunselman reported that a committee of city officials had been formed to review Antley's request and the committee recommended leaving the alley as is. Mayor Schmitt said Antley wants a stop sign at the end of the alley. Gunselman stated that Ms. Antley was concerned because of the speed of the traffic and that traffic did not stop when exiting the alley and quite often vehicles drive onto her property when turning onto 10th Street. Gunselman added that the City usually

does not install stop signs in alleys. There followed much discussion. Mayor Schmitt recommended placing stop signs at the north and south ends of the alley. He said this was a unique situation in that people use the alley more as a street rather than an alley. Gunselman agreed. City Engineer Chad Hurm, in his capacity as traffic engineer, recommended stop signs at both intersections of the alley to improve traffic safety.

Thereafter, a **motion** was made by Mayor Schmitt and seconded by Victor Knies to recommend to the City Council that stop signs be placed at both ends of the alley that connects 9th and 10th Streets and lies between Mill Street and Vine Street. **Motion** passed 3-0.

Mayor Schmitt requested that Police Chief Richard Gunselman inform Ms. Antley of the board's decision.

TURTLE TILE CRIBBING

At the May 10, 2005 meeting, Fire Chief Kenny Hochgesang presented quotes for Turtle Tile Cribbing. The board asked Hochgesang to seek quotes that included shipping. The revised quotes were as follows:

Supplier	Amount
5 Alarm Fire and Safety	\$2,600.00
Hoosier Fire Equipment.	\$2,614.80
Fire Service, Inc.	\$2,758.00
M & S Fire and Safety	\$2,764.97
Fire Rescue Outfitters	\$2,771.75

Hochgesang stated that all quotes met the specifications

A **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to accept the low quote from 5 Alarm Fire and Safety for \$2,600.00 for turtle tile cribbing. **Motion** passed 3-0.

AERIAL FIRE TRUCK

Fire Chief Hochgesang reported that the new aerial fire truck is still not ready for delivery. He said the company had quoted 265 – 300 days for build time, and yesterday was the 300th day.

EASEMENTS

City Attorney Sandy Hemmerlein presented the following easement for acceptance and approval:

Grant of Permanent Electric Utility Easement

Gary J. and Sarah J. Hopf – Grassland Hills North Subdivision – Part of Lot No. 16

A **motion** was made by Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Victor Knies to approve and accept the easement as listed above. Motion passed 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the board, a **motion** was made by Victor Knies and seconded by Thomas Schmidt to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

Mayor William J. Schmitt
Presiding Officer

Attest:

Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer

Cynthia Kluemper, Recording Secretary